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For the USCG SECTOR SAN FRANCISCO

2005 AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN

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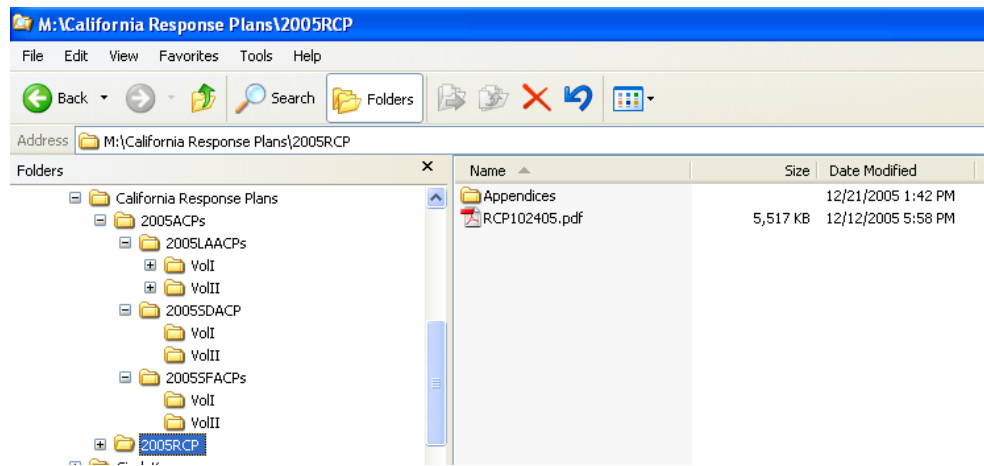
1.0 Files and Formats available on this site

This web page for the Sector San Francisco ACP has the most current version of the ACP. The files available on this page are PDF files which may be used on line or downloaded. The files include links which will connect files from tables of contents to respective documents. Once files are downloaded to your personal computer, these files when properly organized in a specific file structure, will allow the reader to move fluidly between files and within files.

Other file formats which are specifically available for printing will be available in the near future.

2.0 File organization required for digital ACP use on your computer

As mentioned above (1.0), the included PDF ACP files include links (much like the hot links on web pages) which allow you to move to other files or to other locations within a file. This is a crucial feature to permit easy use on your personal computer since many portions of the 2005 ACP rely on information is now relocated in the Regional Contingency Plan. In order for these links to operate, files must be saved on your computer in a specific relative location to one another. Because “relative location” is the key to function, the relative file structure will allow file link operations regardless of which drive the files are located, including a DVD. Below is an example of the file structure which is essential to the included links. You can see from this example that all the Sector ACPs and the Regional Response Plan (RCP) have a specific location from which the links will operate and link to.



When you download files to your computer, first create a file structure exactly the same as you see above. The structure is repeated below:

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California Response Plans
    2005RCP
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            2005SFACPs
                VOLI
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For the SF ACP, all files in Volume I should be in stored in the VOLI subfolder of the 2005SFACPs folder and correspondingly all files for Volume II should be stored in VOLII. If you do not put them in a correct relative location, you will get an error message indicating that the “file does not exist.”

3.0 Changes in this 2005 revision

The 2005 revision has some very significant changes from previous versions.

Most notable is that a lot of the information which had Statewide application has been moved to the Regional Response Plan. Important topics include Dispersant Use Plan; In Situ Burning Policy, California Implementation Guidelines for the Programatic Ageement for the National Historic Preservation Act; California Wildlife Plan; and many MOAs and MOUs.

Within the Sector SF ACP Volume II, many sensitive sites have been renumbered and reorganized as indicated below. Volume II also contains a list of local scientific experts in Section 9890.

3.1 Changes in ACP 1 North Coast

All the sites in the north coast area are now grouped into one of four geographic domains and all sensitive sites have been renumbered by county: Del Norte County (1-100), Humboldt County (1-200), Humboldt Bay (1-300), and Mendocino County (1-400), Within Humboldt Bay several locales which were included in North Humboldt Bay (Arcata Bay) have been broken out into individual sites.

3.2 Changes in ACP 2 San Francisco Bay and Delta

There have been several significant changes in ACP 2. The outer coast was formerly a single Geographic Response Area (GRA 1). It is now subdivided at Pt. Reyes. All sensitive sites north of Pt Reyes are now in GRA 1 and all those south are in GRA 2. All sites in GRA 1 and GRA 2 have been renumbered accordingly.

All the sites in South San Francisco Bay are included in a single GRA 3 whereas they were formerly in two GRAs (GRA3 Anchorage 9 and GRA 2 South Bay). Also in GRA 3, several very extensive sites (Johnson Landing formerly 2-305) and others covering many miles of shoreline marshes north and south of the San Mateo Bridge on the east side have been subdivided into much more manageable sites. Consequently site numbering for many sites in GRA 3 have changed.

In GRA 4, the three sites in Alameda County Albany Marsh, Berkeley Eelgrass and Cove, and Emeryville Lagoon have been renumbered to reflect the county jurisdiction (now sites 2-480, 2-490, and 2-495). Also, two collection sites on Tiburon peninsula have been merged into a single site 2-421 and the nearby eelgrass beds have been designated in a single new sensitive site 2-424.

In GRA 6, the division between 2-605 (Pt Edith, Seal Islands, and Hastings Slough) and 2-697 (Belloma Wetlands) has been altered to address security issues at that locale. Now site 2-605 includes Marsh lands around Pt Edith including the mouth of Hastings Slough. All wetlands east of Hastings Slough and Seal Islands are now included in site 2-607 and have been renamed "Weapons Station Marshes."

The primary strategy for deep water eelgrass beds is now an assessment to determine if eelgrass fronds will make surface contact with oil (2-490 Berkeley Eelgrass; 2-307 Alameda Eelgrass beds & Crown Beach; 2-310 Bay Farm Island Eelgrass; 2-506 San Pablo Eelgrass Beds; and 2-424 Paradise Cay Eelgrass Cove and Eelgrass.) Throughout strategies listed, skimming operations have been distinguished into separate substrategies among possible site strategies to enable more explicit assignment of skimming resources where most needed.

Economic concerns, cultural and historic concern, and other resources at risk are all included in the respective GRA. Each GRA also includes a draft tentative copy of proposed shoreline operational divisions which will be improved in the coming year.

Point of Contact for 2005 ACP 2 Changes:

GRA 1: Outer Coast northerly (contact John Tarpley, NOAA (206) 256-6338 or Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 2: Outer Coast southerly (contact John Tarpley NOAA (206) or 256-6338 Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 3: South Bay and Anchorage 9 (contact: Kathleen Jennings 707-864-4938)

GRA 4: Central Bay (contact: Carl Jochums 707-864-4907)

GRA 5 San Pablo Bay (contact David Price 707 864-4905)

GRA 6 Suisun Bay (contact Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 7 West Delta (contact Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 8 North Delta (contact Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 9 South Delta (contact John Tarpley (206) 256-6338 or Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

GRA 10 East Delta (contact Carl Jochums 707 864-4907)

3.3 Changes in ACP 3 Central Coast - Monterey & Santa Cruz Counties

ACP 3 includes Santa Cruz County and Monterey County. Sites in this domain have been grouped geographically into five zones and renumbered accordingly. Questions may be directed to Larry Espinosa at 831-649-2888.

4.0 Updates to the 2005 revision

Changes and corrections of the ACP will be made from time to time. Two kinds of updates may occur. There will be regular quarterly or semi-annual revisions produced by the Area Committees. In addition, there may be occasional need for corrections of a ministerial nature. A number of corrections have been identified in the current edition.

All corrections will be documented in an attached spreadsheet "Corrections Table" and accompanying PDF files including corrected pages ready to print and insert.

5.0 About the Sector San Francisco ACP and background

The USCG Sector San Francisco has geographical responsibility for the northern California coastline from the southern Monterey County line to the Oregon border. This includes the immediately adjacent bays and estuaries, including San Francisco Bay and adjoining Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to Sacramento and Stockton. Precise geographic definitions are included in the ACP text.

This Sector area is subdivided into three coastal zones with respective local Area Committees: The North Coast Area Committee (ACP1) includes the marine environment of Del Norte, Humboldt, and Mendocino Counties; the San Francisco Area Committee (ACP2) includes the coastal counties of Sonoma, Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo and additional counties on and in San Francisco Bay and Suisun Bay and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara, Solano, Napa, Yolo, Sacramento, and San Joaquin; The Central Coast Area Committee (ACP 3) includes Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties.

The ACP is now divided into three portions: the Regional Response Plan, the Sector SF ACP Volume I, and Volume II. Topics which are applicable to the entire State including the Sector San Diego, Sector LA, and inland areas as well as Sector San Francisco, have been centralized in the Regional Response Plan. Volume I consolidates the topics common to the Area Committees within the Sector and generally deal with organization and other common concerns. Volume I is generally organized by relevance to Incident Command System (ICS) structure. The files listed in this web site are listed by their respective ICS function in the Field Operations Guide.

Volume II contains geographically specific details for spill response. Volume II includes sensitive site protection concerns and strategies ("sensitive sites" is a term synonymous

with “grps” used in other state’s area plans). Whereas originally each Area Committee maintained individual response plans (ACP 1, ACP 2, and ACP 3), now each area committee has a section of Volume II which focus on ecologic, cultural/historic, and economic concerns in each respective geographic domain. Mutual response detail such as key scientific contact, as shared concern is included as well.

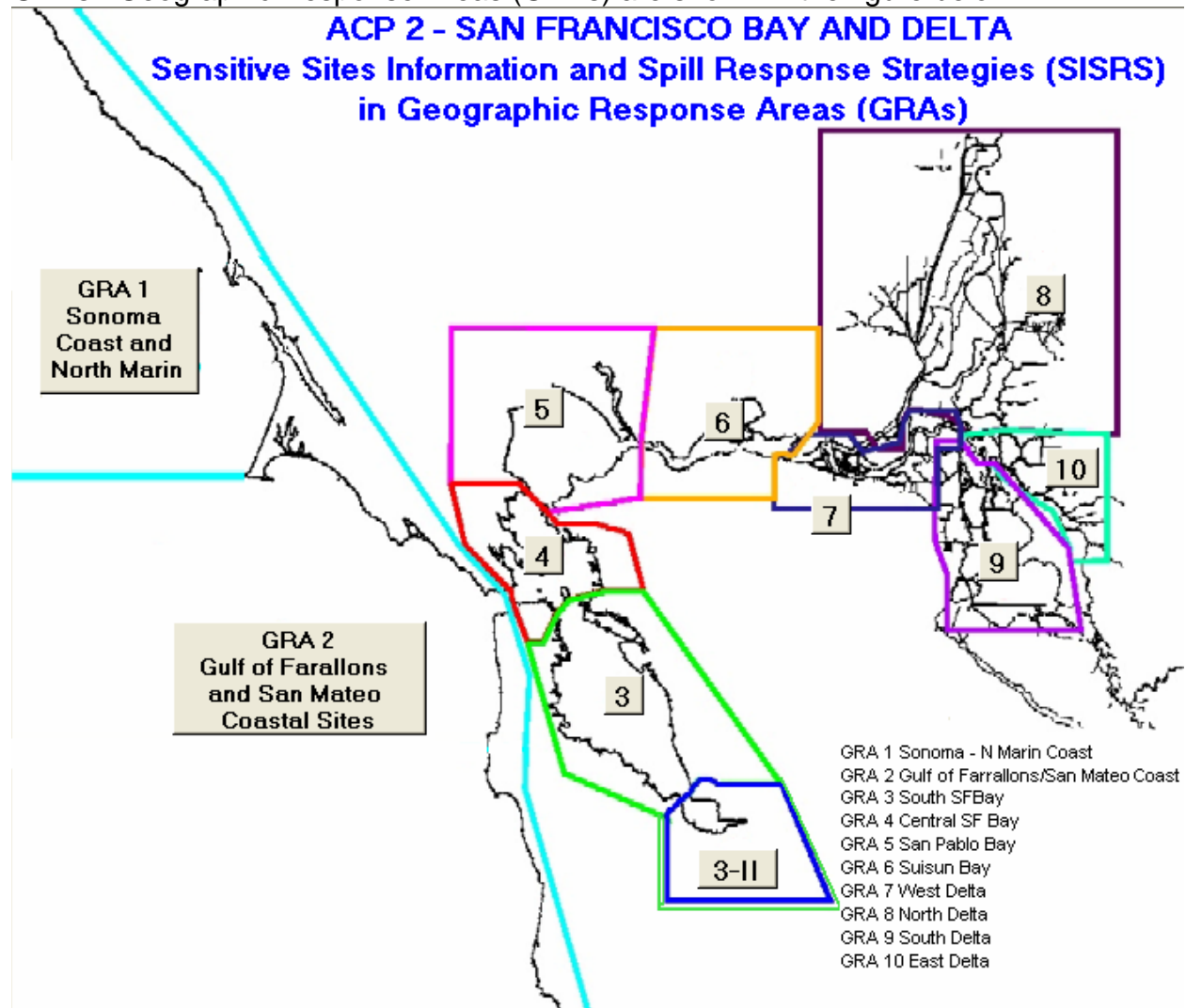
Details by ACP

North Coast Area - ACP 1

ACP 1 spill response planning detail is included in Sections 9810 through 9814. These volume includes 90 sensitive sites and cultural concerns identified by the Area Committee.

San Francisco ACP 2

ACP 2 covers an extensive region and includes about 265 ecologically sensitive sites. This local area plan information is broken into several separate PDF files to facilitate planning, response, and updates. These sub-regions are referred to as Geographic Response Areas (GRAs, and also referred to as GRPs). The outer coast has 2 GRAs GRA 1 north of Pt Reyes and GRA 2 south. San Francisco Bay (including San Pablo and Suisun Bay) has three GRAs, and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta has four GRAs. Geographic Response Areas (GRPs) are shown in the figure below:



Monterey Central Coast ACP 3

No detail at this time.